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This room contains material covering the period from about 2600 B.C. to about 945 B.C.; from the breaking up of the Old Kingdom, through what is known as the First Intermediate Period (7th-10th Dynasties, a time of marked decline in arts and crafts), the Middle Kingdom (11th and 12th Dynasties, the feudal age), the Second Intermediate Period (13th-17th Dynasties, a time of internal strife and foreign invasions, especially that of the Hyksos from Asia), and the New Kingdom (18th-21st Dynasties, the period of imperial magnificence and foreign conquests).

A number of grave stelae of the First Intermediate Period serve to illustrate the decline in the art of sculpture in relief during that time of disorganization. Of the Middle Kingdom the room contains a large group of pottery, ornaments, tools and weapons, and objects of daily use, many of them from the Harvard University - Museum of Fine Arts Excavations at Kerma, an Egyptian frontier post in the Sudan. From Kerma also come a number of objects of the Second Intermediate Period, especially associated with the Hyksos invaders. Finally, the New Kingdom is represented by groups

of pottery, stone vessels, beads and ornaments, sculpture, and inscriptions from various sources, notably a group of objects from foundation deposits of Queen Hatshepsut of the 18th Dynasty.

N.B. The cases have their numbers painted on them. Shelves and subdivisions of cases are numbered from top to bottom or from left to right. The objects are numbered in order from left to right on each shelf, except where otherwise indicated by labels.

All objects are from the Harvard University - Museum of Fine Arts Excavations, except where otherwise stated.

Case 1

Pottery, Middle Kingdom and Hyksos Period

Shelf 1

1. Bowl of rough brown ware.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

2. Globular jar; the neck is of bronze with a cover of sandstone. Remains of a linen cloth which had been tied over the mouth.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

3. Squat vase covered with a white slip on which remain traces of painted decoration.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4. Bowl of red polished ware with black interior and rim.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

5. Bowl of red ware.
11th Dynasty Assiut
Purchased - Sears Fund

6. Tiny pot of black ware for eye-paint or kohl.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

7, 8. Red pottery jars.
12th Dynasty El Kab
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

Case 1, Shelf 1 (cont.)

9, 10, 12-16. Vessels of drab ware.
12th-16th Dynasties Denderah
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

11. Vase of drab ware. Provenance not known.
12th Dynasty
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

Shelf 2

1-3. Black ware with incised decoration filled with white to bring out the design.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4, 6, 9-20. Red polished black topped vessels from Kerma. This distinctive ware is of local manufacture and is one of the finest types of pottery ever made by the Egyptians. A few examples have been found at other sites, mostly in Nubia, but the centre of manufacture of these vessels was at Kerma, where great numbers of them were found by the Museum's Expedition.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

5. Bowl with spout and loop handle.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7-8. Two vases of the same ware, one black polished, the other red.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Shelf 3

1. Offering tray of coarse pottery. On the tray may be seen models of an ox and other food offerings intended for the dead person.
12th Dynasty Gebelein
Purchased - Sears Fund

2-4. Three pottery models of Egyptian houses, placed over the grave of the dead for the use of his soul. In front of the building is a space where offerings may be placed.
11th-12th Dynasties. Rifeh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

5-6. Two jars of red ware, one with remains of its mud sealing over a potsherd cover.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

Case 1, Shelf 3 (cont.)

7. Vase with three bands painted on the neck. Provenance not known.
12th Dynasty
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

8. Jar with the original mud sealing in place.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

9. Drab ware globular jar.
12th-16th Dynasties Denderah
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Case 2

Pottery of the New Kingdom

Shelf 1

1-4, 6, 10-12.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

5, 7-9, 14, 20. Egyptian and Cypriote pottery from two tombs at Abydos.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

13, 15, 18.
20th Dynasty Tell-el-Yahudiyeh
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

16, 17, 19. Vases from Cyprus found in Egyptian tombs.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

Shelf 2

1, 2, 5-14, 17, 18.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

3, 4.
17th-20th Dynasties Denderah
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

15, 19.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

16. Provenance not known.
18th Dynasty
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

Case 2, Shelf 2 (cont.)

20. Vase with single loop handle.
20th Dynasty — Tell-el-Yahudiyeh
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Shelf 3

1-6, 10-16, 18.
18th-20th Dynasties — Zawiet-el-Aryan

7. Painted jar from the so-called 'Tomb of Osiris' at Abydos.
17th Dynasty — Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

8.
18th Dynasty — Denderah
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

9, 17.
18th Dynasty — Deir-el-Bahari
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Case 3

Stone Vessels of the Middle and New Kingdoms

Right Side: Middle Kingdom
Left Side: New Kingdom

Right: Shelf 1

1. Vase of blue marble
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Ali
Purchased - Sears Fund

2. Alabaster kohl pot with disc cover.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

3. Alabaster jar with disc cover of limestone.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

4. Grey stone cup.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

5. Alabaster ointment jar and cover.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

6. Alabaster vase.
Middle Kingdom — Semna

Case 3, Right: Shelf 1 (cont.)

7, 11. Two alabaster vases.
12th Dynasty — El Bersheh

8. Alabaster vase.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

9. Alabaster ointment jar and cover.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

10. Alabaster jar.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

12. Alabaster stand for supporting a vessel with round or pointed base.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

Right: Shelf 2

1. Limestone kohl pot with stand made in a separate piece. The cover is missing.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

2, 4, 7, 9. Four alabaster ointment jars. No. 2 still contains the original perfumed ointment.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

3. Alabaster kohl pot, cover missing.
12th Dynasty — El Bersheh

5. Small alabaster vase.
12th Dynasty — El Kab
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

6. Alabaster kohl pot, cover missing.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

8. Alabaster kohl pot and cover.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

10. Alabaster kohl pot and cover.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

11. Alabaster ointment jar.
Middle Kingdom — Semna

12. Kohl pot and cover of black stone.
Middle Kingdom — Mesheikh

Case 3, Right: Shelf 3

1. Alabaster cylinder jar.
Middle Kingdom Semna

2. Vase of serpentine.
12th Dynasty El Kab
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

3. Squat jar of alabaster; the cover is a potsherd.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4. Black stone vase.
Middle Kingdom Mesheikh

5. Globular jar and cover of alabaster.
Middle Kingdom Semna

6. Alabaster disc cover; the break was anciently mended by tying with rawhide thongs through holes made for the purpose.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7. Vase of brown serpentine.
12th Dynasty Rifeh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

8. Globular jar of alabaster.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

9. Vase of mottled dark stone.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

10. Alabaster jar with two handles.
12th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Left: Shelf 1

1. Alabaster kohl pot and cover. Note how the form of this type of vessel continues unchanged from the Middle Kingdom (Right side of Case).
18th Dynasty Rifeh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

2, 3, 7, 10, 11' Five alabaster kohl pots.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

4. Limestone ointment jar; a form also found in the Middle Kingdom (Right side of Case).
New Kingdom Naga-ed-Deir

Case 3, Left: Shelf 1 (cont.)

5. Alabaster vase. Provenance not known.
New Kingdom
Gift of Estate of Mrs. Francis C. Lowell

6. Alabaster pot.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

8. Fragment of a footed cup; alabaster.
New Kingdom Zawiet-el-Aryan

9. Alabaster kohl pot.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Left: Shelf 2

1, 3, 7, 9. Four alabaster vases.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

2. Glazed steatite kohl pot. This soft stone is the material from which many scarabs were made.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

4. Mottled stone dish.
New Kingdom Sheikh Ali
Purchased - Sears Fund

5. Alabaster vase. Provenance not known.
New Kingdom
Gift of Estate of Mrs. Francis C. Lowell

6. Porphyry basin.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

8. Model jar of bluish-grey limestone.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

Left: Shelf 3

1, 5, 7. Three alabaster dishes, one representing a bird, and two representing fish.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2. Grey stone vase with two handles. The base represents a ring-stand for vessels with pointed bottoms, but is actually an integral part of the vessel.
New Kingdom Semna

Case 3, Left: Shelf 1 (cont.)

5. Alabaster vase. Provenance not known.
New Kingdom
Gift of Estate of Mrs. Francis C. Lowell

6. Alabaster pot.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

8. Fragment of a footed cup; alabaster.
New Kingdom Zawiet-el-Aryan

9. Alabaster kohl pot.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Left: Shelf 2

1, 3, 7, 9. Four alabaster vases.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

2. Glazed steatite kohl pot. This soft stone is the material from which many scarabs were made.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

4. Mottled stone dish.
New Kingdom Sheikh Ali
Purchased - Sears Fund

5. Alabaster vase. Provenance not known.
New Kingdom
Gift of Estate of Mrs. Francis C. Lowell

6. Porphyry basin.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

8. Model jar of bluish-grey limestone.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

Left: Shelf 3

1, 5, 7. Three alabaster dishes, one representing a bird, and two representing fish.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2. Grey stone vase with two handles. The base represents a ring-stand for vessels with pointed bottoms, but is actually an integral part of the vessel.
New Kingdom Semna

Case 3, Left: Shelf 3 (cont.)

3. Alabaster dish.
18th-20th Dynasties Zawiet-el-Aryan

4. Upper part of a cup, carved to represent a lotus flower; alabaster. Provenance not known.
Early New Kingdom
Gift of Theodore M. Davis

6. Alabaster mortar.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Case 4

Furniture and Household Equipment, mostly Middle Kingdom

Shelf 1: Head-rests or pillows, to support the neck of the sleeper

1. Wood; made in two pieces.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2, 4. Alabaster; made in three pieces.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

3. Alabaster; made in three pieces.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

5. Wood; made in three pieces.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Shelf 2

1, 2. Wooden combs.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

3. Wooden head-rest; made in two pieces.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4. Wooden cosmetic box; made in one piece. Decorated with pieces of ivory.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

5. Wooden head-rest; inscribed with the name and rank of the owner.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

Case 4, Shelf 2 (cont.)

6. Ivory ornamental comb.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7. Wooden head-rest; one piece.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

8. Wooden kohl box; one piece. The cover is missing.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

9, 11. Wooden ornamental combs.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

10. Wooden kohl tube with two compartments. Bands of inlays of dark and light wood on front.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

Shelf 3

1, 14, 15. Two wooden bed-legs, representing the front and hind legs of a bull. The bronze angle-piece, No. 15, is the sheathing of a brace from such a bed.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 16. Baskets of various types.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

4. Wooden dish or tray with four short legs.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

5, 11. Two basket trays.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7-9. Wooden toilet chest with sliding cover. No. 8 (basket) and No. 9 (ostrich egg) were found in this chest.
Middle Kingdom Mesheikh

13. Wooden toilet spoon.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Case 5

Tools, Weapons, and Utensils

Back (top to bottom).

1. Spear. The tang of the bronze head is set in a split in the shaft, which is bound with cord. The butt end of the shaft is missing.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

2-6. Four arrows and tip of a fifth. A crescent-shaped flint with a cutting edge is cemented to a hard-wood shaft, which in turn is socketed into the hollow end of a reed. The reed was originally fitted with three feathers and notched to receive the bow-string.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

7. Hard-wood bow.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

8. Battle-ax. The bronze head was socketed into the handle and lashed in place by thongs passing over a lug at each end and through the three holes in the body of the head.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

9, 10. Two wooden boomerangs or throwing-sticks; used for hunting birds and small game.
Middle Kingdom — Naga-ed-Deir

Shelf 1

1-3, 23-25. Six bronze razors.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

4. Bronze knife-blade. The three holes are for the rivets with which the handle was attached.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

5. Bronze knife. The curved handle ends in a goose head.
18th Dynasty — Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

6, 7. Two bronze knives of specialized forms; perhaps for cutting leather.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

8, 9. Two bronze tweezers.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

Case 5, Shelf 1 (cont.)

10. Bronze tweezers.
18th Dynasty — Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

11. Adz-head of bronze. A carpenter's tool.
12th Dynasty — Drah Abu Negga
Purchased - Sears Fund

12. Bronze awl or drill, in wooden handle.
12th Dynasty — El Bersheh

13. Bronze punch. The large end is worn from hammering.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

14. Heavy bronze ax-head.
12th Dynasty — El Bersheh

15. Bronze battle-ax head. It was lashed to its handle by means of the holes.
Middle Kingdom (?) — Razigat
Purchased - Sears Fund

16. Bronze ax-head.
12th Dynasty (?) — Hu
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

17, 21, 22. Bronze harpoons.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

18. Bronze spear-head. The shaft was set into the hollow base of the head.
20th-26th Dynasties — Tell Nebesheh
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

19. Bronze arrow-head.
20th Dynasty — Tell-el-Yahidiyeh
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

20. Bronze dagger. The wood or ivory covering of the handle is missing.
17th Dynasty (?) — Hu
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Shelf 2

1. Mortar and pestle of red veined stone.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

2. Stone pestle or crushing-roller.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

Case 5, Shelf 2 (cont.)

3. Stone mortar for grinding paint. Traces of yellow pigment.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4. Stone implement of uncertain use.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

5. Scraper made from an animal horn.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

6. Wooden mallet.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

7. Wooden plasterer's spud. From the tomb of King Thothmes IV.
18th Dynasty Biban-el-Moluk
Gift of Theodore M. Davis

8. Wooden hoe bound with palm-fibre rope.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

9. Whetter made from a gazelle-horn.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

10, 11. Two stone knife-sharpeners.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

12. Stone ax-head.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

13-16. Four stone celts.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

17. Diorite ceremonial mace-head.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

18-26. Awls and other implements made from animal bones.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Case 6

Costume, etc.

Back

1. Linen shirt, ornamented with pleats.
Middle Kingdom Naga-ed-Deir

Case 6, Back (cont.)

2. Two fragments of a rug. The pile is backed with coarse linen canvas. At left, the back; at right, the front.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Floor

1. Fragments of a wig, made of tiny braids of false hair.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

2. Folded linen cloth.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

3, 4. Two rawhide buttons.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

5. Bronze awl in wooden handle.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

6. Ostrich-feather fan.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7. Wooden bodkin with pierced eye.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

8, 9. Two bronze needles with pierced eyes.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

10. Bronze needle with pierced eye.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

11, 12. Two ivory needles. The butt is notched to hold the thread.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

13-16. Two pairs of rawhide sandals.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Case 7

Swords, Beads and Ornaments
All of the Middle Kingdom

Top

String of large glazed faience beads.
Kerma

Case 7 (cont.)

Floor

Six bronze swords with ivory handles.
Kerma

Bronze dagger with ivory and ebony handle.
Rifeh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

Right End

1. Glazed faience pendant.
Sheikh Farag

2. Silver finger-ring.
Sheikh Farag

3, 4. Two glazed steatite seals.
Sheikh Farag

5, 6. Ivory inlay strips.
Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

7. Necklace.
Sheikh Farag

8. Bracelet.
Kerma

9. Inscribed faience tablet from a foundation deposit of Sesostris I (12th Dynasty).
Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

10. Wood inlayed with faience; fragment of decoration.
El Bersheh

Left End

1-3. Gold bead and two pendants.
Harageh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

4, 5. Gilded bronze ear- or hair-rings.
Sheikh Farag

6, 8. Two gilded silver rings.
Sheikh Farag

7. Ivory seal with pattern in relief.
Kerma

Case 7, Left End (cont.)

9, 11. Two silver wire ornaments.
Kerma

10. Gold or electrum disc ornament.
Sheikh Farag

12. Bead necklace with wooden pendant.
Kerma

13, 14. Two necklaces of faience beads.
Sheikh Farag

Near Side

1. Glazed quartz crystal beads.
Kerma

2. Necklace of amethyst, carnelian, and faience beads.
Kerma

3. Necklace of pierced nuts.
Sheikh Farag

4, 5. Two strings of faience beads.
Kerma

6. Part of a necklace; faience.
Sheikh Farag

7. Faience beads with an uncut quartz crystal, glazed, as a pendant.
Kerma

8-10. Three necklaces of faience beads.
Kerma

Far Side

1. Necklace of faience beads.
Kerma

2. Necklace; carnelian and amethyst beads.
Sheikh Farag

3-6. Four strings of faience beads.
Kerma

7. String of faience, amethyst, and black stone beads.
Kerma

Case 7, Far Side (cont.)

8. String of beads and amulets; faience, carnelian, and beryl.
Sheikh Farag

9-11. Three strings of faience beads.
Kerma

Case 8

Miscellaneous Small Objects
Middle and New Kingdoms

Top

1. Limestone shawwabti figure. (These little mummiform figures were buried with the dead in order that they might take his place in the fields when he should be called upon by the gods to perform manual labor in the next world.)
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

2. Bronze beaker. (Compare the shape with the pottery vessels in Case 1, Shelf 2.)
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

3. Fragment from wooden head of an ostrich-feather fan. The feathers were set in the holes along the curved edge. There was a handle below. Both sides carved with relief scenes. From the tomb of Thothmes IV.
18th Dynasty — Biban-el-Moluk
Gift of Theodore M. Davis

Upper Left End

Three wooden dolls. The heads (made of mud?) are missing.
11th Dynasty — Sheikh Farag

Upper Right End

1. Ivory inlay representing the face of a king. The eye was inlaid in other material.
18th Dynasty — Denderah
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2. Limestone fragment with a sculptor's study of a head in relief.
19th Dynasty (?) — Shaghanbeh
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

Case 8, Upper Right End (cont.)

3. Marble inlay piece. Face of a king. A part of the inlaid decoration from the walls of the Palace of Rameses III.
20th Dynasty — Medinet Habu
Purchased - Sears Fund

(The two arms and the feet on the Shelf below are parts of similar inlaid figures from the same place.)

Upper Near Side

1. Fragment of a magic wand of ivory, incised with figures of mythical animals.
Middle Kingdom — Bourg-el-Arab
Gift of Oric Bates

2. Shell pierced with two holes and inscribed; used as a pendant.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

3. Magic wand of ivory, incised with figures of mythical animals.
Middle Kingdom — Naqada
Purchased - Sears Fund

4. Ivory wand like Nos. 1 and 3 above.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

5. Bronze pendant.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

6. Ivory inlay piece.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos — Kerma

Upper Far Side

1, 4. Beads of faience and carnelian.
New Kingdom — Naga-ed-Deir

2. Faience beads.
New Kingdom — Mesa'eed

3. Faience pendant.
18th-20th Dynasties — Zawiet-el-Aryan

5. Carnelian and faience beads.
18th Dynasty — Saft-el-Henna
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

6, 7, 9, 12. Four necklaces of various beads.
New Kingdom — Zawiet-el-Aryan

Case 8, Upper Far Side (cont.)

8, 10. Two necklaces of faience beads.
New Kingdom Giza (?)

11. Faience beads.
18th Dynasty Deir-el_Bahari
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Shelf, Left End

1. Pair of ivory flies. These flies were decorations granted by the king in recognition of distinguished services.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

2. Pair of ivory flies with gilded heads.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Shelf, Right End

Two arms and a pair of feet; marble. Parts of inlaid figures from the walls of the Palace of Rameses III. (see Upper Right End, No. 3, in this case.)
20th Dynasty Medinet Habu
Purchased - Sears Fund

Shelf, Near Side

1. Ivory spoon made in two pieces. The handle represents a goose head.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

2. End or side-piece of an ivory box.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

3. Ivory kohl stick, with ornamental handle.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Shelf, Far Side

1, 7. Fragments of ivory inlay pieces from the decoration of boxes.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2. Bronze finger-ring.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Case 8, Shelf, Far Side (cont.)

3, 5. Bezel of a gold ring and a gold pendant.
Provenance not known.
18th Dynasty
Gift of Dr. Grant Bey

4. Stained ivory ornamental inlay.
18th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

6. Gilded bronze ring.
18th (?) Dynasty Hu
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Floor, Left End

1. Fragments of ivory inlays from a cylindrical object. The incisions are filled with black coloring matter.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

2. Fragments of an ivory bracelet (?). Inlaid with blue faience.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Floor, Right End

1. Glazed faience hippopotamus.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

2, 3, 5. Three fragmentary heads from faience figures of men.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

4. Human head in faience; part of a relief figure inlaid into some other material.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

6. Fragment of a faience figure of a squatting man.
12th Dynasty El Bersheh

7. Silver ornamental button.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

8. Carnelian and bronze pendant.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Floor, Near Side

1, 2. Two ivory ear-studs.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Case 8, Floor, Near Side (cont.)

3. Horn protector. Ivory inlays cemented to a wooden core.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

(These horn protectors come in pairs and were found covering the tips of the horns of rams, sacrificed at the time of the burial of important people at Kerma.)

4-6. Three ivory horn protectors (see No. 3 above).
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

7. Horn protector, similar to No. 3.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

8. Alabaster ceremonial mace-head.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Floor, Far Side

1-3. Three stone weights, labelled "gold 5," "gold 6," and "gold 9." These are multiples of the Egyptian deben weight of between 12.5 and 13 grams, and the pieces weigh respectively 66.5 gms., 74.5 gms., and 116.1 gms.
Middle Kingdom Uronarti Island

4-11. Eight glazed faience rosette inlays.
Provenance not known.
20th Dynasty
Gift of Estate of Professor Henry Williamson Haynes through Miss Sarah H. Blanchard

12. Horn bracelet, ornamented with stars in relief.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Case 9

Grave Stelae of the First Intermediate Period

1. Painted limestone grave stela, partly in sunk relief.
6th-10th Dynasties Mesa'eed

2. Painted limestone grave stela in sunk relief. The King's Sealer, Sole Companion, Heni.
6th-10th Dynasties Sheikh Farag

Case 9 (cont.)

3. Painted limestone grave stela of a man and wife.
6th-10th Dynasties — Mesa'eed

4. Limestone grave stela in relief. The Sole Favorite, Priestess of Hathor, Yay.
6th-10th Dynasties — Sheikh Farag

5. Painted limestone grave stela in sunk relief
Middle Kingdom (?) — Sheikh Farag

Case 10

Stelae and Inscriptions
Middle Kingdom

1. Painted limestone grave stela in relief. The Hereditary Prince, Nomarch, King's Sealer, Heneny.
Middle Kingdom — Sheikh Farag

2. Painted sandstone grave stela in sunk relief.
11th Dynasty — Rasigat
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3. Fragment from the end of a wooden sarcophagus. Three lines of painted inscription with, below, parts of incised texts from the "Book of the Dead."
12th Dynasty — El Bersheh

4. Fragment of an inscribed sandstone pillar from the temple of Mentuhotep (IV?).
11th Dynasty — Deir-el-Bahari
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

5. Black granite commemorative stela, dated in the 33rd year of Amenemhat III, and recording that a certain official named Yentef used 35,300 bricks in repairing a building at Kerma.
12th Dynasty — Kerma

Case 11

Sculpture: Middle and New Kingdoms

Shelf, Left

1, 2. Two pair statuettes in hard stone.
Middle Kingdom — Semna

Case 11, Shelf, Left (cont.)

3, 5. Two heads from statuettes. Basalt. Provenance not known.
12th Dynasty
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

4. Upper part of a statuette. Stone. Provenance not known.
Middle Kingdom (?)
Lent by Nathaniel Bishop Farrar

6. Upper part of a statuette. Basalt. Provenance not known.
Middle Kingdom
Ross Collection

7. Fragment from the head of a statuette of Amenemhat III.
12th Dynasty Kerma

8. Upper part of a statuette. Limestone (?). Provenance not known.
12th Dynasty (?)
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

9. Head from statuette of a queen. Granite. Provenance not known.
12th or 18th Dynasty
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

10. Head from statuette of a priest. Limestone.
12th Dynasty Abydos
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

Shelf, Right

1. Head from statuette of a child. Granite (?).
Middle Kingdom Kerma

2, 3. Two heads from statuettes. Basalt. Provenance not known.
12th Dynasty
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

4-6. Three heads from statuettes. Granite.
Middle Kingdom Kerma

7. Head from a statuette. Limestone.
12th Dynasty Abydos
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Case 11, Shelf, Right (cont.)

8. Head from a statuette of a queen, with attributes of the goddess Hathor. Serpentine.
Middle Kingdom Semna

9. Seated statuette of a man. Limestone.
20th-21st Dynasties Karnak
Purchased - Sears Fund

10. Head from a statuette of Queen Nefertari. Limestone. From her tomb in the Valley of the Queens.
19th Dynasty Thebes
Purchased - Sears Fund

Floor

1, 3. Two wooden statuettes of men.
12th Dynasty Assiut
Purchased - Sears Fund

2, 6. Two wooden statuettes of priests.
11th Dynasty Assiut
Purchased - Sears Fund

4. Wooden figure of a woman bearing offerings.
11th Dynasty Assiut
Purchased - Sears Fund

5. Wooden statuette of a woman.
11th Dynasty Assiut
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Case 12

Foundation Deposits of Queen Hatshepsut 18th Dynasty

Foundation deposits are groups of models which were buried in holes under or near the corners of Egyptian buildings, some of the objects being often inscribed with the name of the builder.

1, 2, 4, 13, 16, 21, 24-27, and 30 are from deposits under the Temple at Deir-el-Bahari.
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

3, 5-12, 14, 15, 17-20, 22, 23, 28, 29, 31-35 are from the tomb of the queen in the Valley of the Kings.
Gift of Theodore M. Davis

Case 12 (cont.)

1. Reed mat covering for the deposit.

2-4. Stands for baskets; made of reeds.

5. Tray of basket-work.

6-8. Models of reed mats, rolled up.

9-11. Models of fringed linen shawls.

12-14. Alabaster vessels, inscribed with the Queen's name.

15-22. Model pottery vessels.

23. Model of a brick-maker's mould. Inscribed.

24. Model of a sledge for the transport of building blocks. Inscribed.

25, 26. Two model wooden hoes or picks. Inscribed.

27. Model carpenter's adz. The bronze blade is lashed to the wooden handle with rawhide thongs. Handle inscribed.

28, 29. Bronze blade, inscribed, and wooden handle of a model carpenter's adz.

30. Inscribed wooden handle of a model adz.

31-35. Five model chisels. Bronze blades in wooden handles.

Case 13

Inscriptions - New Kingdom
Wooden Objects - Middle Kingdom

1. Round topped sandstone stela with three lines of inscription.
New Kingdom Semna

2. Round topped limestone stela. Unfinished. The stone has received the painting in red outline preliminary to the cutting in relief. A priest making offering to two gods.
New Kingdom Sakkara
Purchased from the Egyptian Government

Case 11, Shelf, Right (cont.)

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Case 13 (cont.)

3. Fragment of painted limestone relief.
18th Dynasty Deir-el-Bahari
Lent by Nathaniel Bishop Farrar

4. Inscribed fragment from lower part of a seated limestone statue. Provenance not known.
22nd Dynasty
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

5. Fragment of limestone relief from the pylon of Horemheb (?).
19th Dynasty Karnak
Gift of Joseph Lindon Smith

6. Fragment of limestone relief. Head of a prince. Provenance not known.
Late New Kingdom
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

7. Wooden shawwabti figure; one of the earliest known examples. (See note under Case 8, Top, No. 1, on page 17.)
Middle Kingdom Naga-ed-Deir

8. Crude wooden shawwabti figure in a model sarcophagus. The lid lies at one side.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

9. Head of a wooden sceptre or staff of office.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

10. Scribe's palette of wood. The two circular depressions are for red and black paint. The reed pens are kept in the partly covered compartment.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

11-13. Three wooden shawwabti figures, one in a crude model sarcophagus.
Middle Kingdom Sheikh Farag

14-17. Four inscribed wooden objects of unknown use. The inscription on each includes a number, and one (No. 15) is dated to the 33rd year of Amenemhat III.
12th Dynasty Uronarti Island

Case 14

Leather and Textiles
Decorated Faience Fragments
All Middle Kingdom - Hyksos. From Kerma

Section 1

1, 3, 5, 7, 8. Fragments of string pot-nets. Such nets were used for carrying beakers of the type shown in Case 1, Shelf 2, and were found with such beakers in graves at Kerma. These, together with the examples of similar nets in Section 2 of this case, illustrate the great variety of the patterns in use.

2. Coiled mass of twisted linen cord.

4. Fragment of a band of woven leather.

6. Button of woven leather.

Section 2

1. Piece of rawhide cut into the form of a rhinoceros.

2. Rawhide thong looped at one end, and fragments of braided leather.

3. Fragments of a leather garment with sewn seams.

4, 5, 8-10. Fragments of string pot-nets. (See Section 1, Nos. 1, etc., in this case.)

6, 7. Two fragments of textile made of woven giraffe-hair.

Section 3

Fragments of glazed faience vessels with decoration in color.

Top Row: 1, Antelope; 2, Bird and papyrus flower; 3-5, Birds and flowers; 6, Butterfly; 7, Hippopotamus.

Centre: 1, 2. Imitation basket-work.

Bottom: 1-3, Geometric; 4, Birds; 5, Hieroglyphic signs.

Case 15

Sculpture
Middle and New Kingdoms

1. Painted sandstone head from an Osirid figure, probably of Mentuhotep IV (?).
11th Dynasty (?) Deir-el-Bahari
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

2. Headless standing statuette of a man. Grey granite.
Middle Kingdom Kerma

3. Fragment of the head of a king; possibly Thothmes III. Quartzite. Provenance not known.
18th Dynasty (?)
Gift of Miss Mary S. Ames

4. Seated statuette of the scribe Wes. Granite. Provenance not known.
18th Dynasty
Gift of Egyptian Research Account

5. Headless standing statuette of a man. Grey granite.
18th Dynasty Tell Nebesheh
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

6. Lower part of the seated statuette of a king. Black granite.
Middle Kingdom Kerma

7. Headless seated statuette of the 'Seal-bearer of the King of Lower Egypt, Ameny.' Black granite. Inscribed.
Middle Kingdom Kerma

On the Wall to the Left of the Window

Frame 1

Ivory inlay pieces used as decoration on funerary furniture.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Frame 2

Ivory inlay pieces used as decoration on funerary furniture.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

On the Wall to the Left of the Window (cont.)

Frame 3

Mica ornaments. Groups of such objects were sewn onto garments as decoration. In some cases the mica objects were sewn onto leather caps. These were then covered with a second layer of leather in which openings of the appropriate shape were cut, thus allowing the glittering mica to be seen while protecting the fragile material from damage.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Frame 4

Group of mica ornaments from a cap.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Frame 5

Group of mica ornaments.
Middle Kingdom - Hyksos Kerma

Shelf
(Between the two doors, to the left)

1. Painted limestone grave stela of the 'Hereditary Prince, Nomarch, King's Sealer, etc., Seyepet.'
6th-10th Dynasties Sheikh Farag

2. Fragment of painted limestone wall relief from the temple of Mentuhotep IV (?).
11th Dynasty Deir-el-Bahari
Gift of Egypt Exploration Fund

3. Sandstone stela of the Viceroy of Nubia, Wesersatet.
18th Dynasty Semna

4. Fragments of a sandstone stela of the Viceroy Wesersatet.
18th Dynasty Semna

5. Votive limestone stela of King Horemheb.
19th Dynasty Sakkara
Purchased from the Egyptian Government

6. Votive stela of the Scribe Ptah-Sety and his wife. Limestone.
New Kingdom Sakkara
Purchased from the Egyptian Government

On the Wall, to the Right of the Long Shelf

Limestone blocks from the wall of a tomb chapel. Wenef-djed-sen and his wife Nemy offering to Ptah and to Ptah-Sokar.
New Kingdom Sakkara
Purchased from the Egyptian Government

Below

Grey granite offering-stone in the form of the hotep sign. In the centre in relief are represented a mat, loaves, and vessels. Hieroglyphic inscription all around.
18th Dynasty Coptos

In Centre of the Room

Wooden statue of a man.
11th Dynasty Assiut
Purchased - Sears Fund

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